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| Foreign Priority claimed  35 USC 119 (a-d) conditions wet Allowance  Verified and Acknowledged Examiner's Signature Initials  ADDRESS  2292 |   |  |     | STATE OR<br>COUNTRY<br>JAPAN | SHEETS<br>DRAWING<br>14   |  | TOTAL<br>CLAIMS<br>9                 |  | INDEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS<br>1 |
| TITLE  Design support system capable of reducing design error   |   |  |     |                              |   |  |                                      |  |                            |
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